licences issued to them for manufacturing consumer items, like over production, excessive pricing, quality etc; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken against them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. J. KURIEN) : (a) and (b) No report on M/s. Hindustan Lever Limited indulging in excessive profiteering has been received by this Ministry.

(c) and (d) Two original registration certificates held by M/s. Hindustan Lever Limited for the manufacture of toiletries and cosmetics in their Bombay and Calcutta factories did not indicate the installed capacities. The installed capacities were endorsed subsequently in 1985. The Company has contested the capacities so endorsed. The matter is being sorted out in consultation with all concerned.

Financial assistance for opening industrial growth centres in Bihar

1236. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: (a) whether it is a fact that Government has sanctioned financial assistance to Bihar for opening industrial growth centres in five districts of the State; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof including the districts which have been identified for opening Industrial growth centres ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. J. KURIEN) : (a) and (b) Under the Growth Centre Scheme announced in June 1988, Bihar has been allotted six growth centres. Locations of five of them have been selected and announced. These are Bhagalpur in Bhagalpur District, Hazaribagh in Hazaribagh District, Jasoria in Aurangabad District, Muzzafarpur in Muzzafarpur District and Purnea Kasba in Purnea District.

Central Assistance has not been released to the Growth Centres of Bihar as the State Government have not yet sent the Project Reports for appraisal and approval.

Funds sought by TAFCO

1237. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Tanery and Footwear Corporation of India (TAFCO) has sought funds for its rahabilitation;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) No formal Rehabilitation Scheme has been approved for TAFCO recently. However, Plan funds of Rs. 45 lakhs have been released during 1991-92 to the Corporation for purchase of certain moulds etc. towards replacement/ modernisation of machinery.

Investment in Public Sector Undertakings in Rajasthan

1238. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the percentage of investment in various public sector undertakings in Rajasthan is less *vis-a-vis* investment in public sector undertaknes of other States as on 31st March, 1992;

(b) if so, the percentage of investment in public sector undertakings of Rajasthan during the last 3 years and reasons for poor investment in the State; and

(c) what efforts have been made so far by the Central Government for increase in central investment in public sector undertakings in Rajasthan indicating the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) Investment in terms of gross block in the Central Public Sector Undertakings in Rajasthan as on 31-3-1991, upto which period only the information is available, was Rs. 2218.91

crores i.e. 1.71% of the total investment in all the States. The State ranks 13th in terms of investment as on 31-3-1991. Investment in Central Public Sector Undertakings in the States are made on techno-economic considerations keeping in view the balanced regional development.

उत्तर प्रदेश में विकास केन्द्रों के लिए सुविधाएं

1239. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उत्तर प्रदेश में इस समय विकास केन्द्रों को दी जा रही सुविधाओं का ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि इन केन्द्रों को पर्याप्त सुविधायें नहीं दी जा रही हैं जिसके कारण ये केन्द्र ठीक ढंग से काम नहीं कर रहे हैं ; और

(ग) उत्तर प्रदेश में वे कौन-कौन से जिले हैं जहां अब तक ऐसे केन्द्र स्थापित नहीं किये गये हैं तथा इन्हें स्थापित न किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० जे० कुरियन) : (क) से (ग) 1988 में घोषित विकास केन्द्र योजना के अधीन, उत्तर प्रदेश को आठ विकास केन्द्र आवंटित किए गए हैं, जिनके स्थापना-स्थलों का पहले ही चुनाव कर लिया गया है और इसकी घोषणा कर दी गई है । ये हैं :—

विकास केन्द्र का नाम	जिला
1 बबोली बुजर्ग	झांसी
2 बनथरा	शाहजहांपुर
3 चौधरपुर	मुरादाबाद
4 डिबियापुर	इटावा
5 खुर्जा	बुलन्दशहर
6 कुंगरा-स्थरिया	जौनपुर
7 सहजनवा	गोरखपुर
8 शिवराजपुर-गलमपुर	पौड़ी गढ़वाल

चुनिंदा विकास केन्द्रों को बिजली, पानी, दूर-संचार इत्यादि जैसी बुनियादी सुविधाएं प्रदान की जाएंगी ताकि इन क्षेत्रों में उद्योगों को आकृष्ट किया जा सके । इन विकास केन्द्रों की परियोजना रिपोर्ट केन्द्र सरकार द्वारा स्वीकृत कर लेने के पश्चात् यह योजना आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना अवधि के दौरान कार्यान्वित की जाएगी ।

Production and Planning by TAFCO

1240. **SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM**: Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details of production and planning undertaken by the Tannery and Footwear India Limited to increase the all round productivity ;

(b) whether it is a fact that there are indications of improved performance by the company ;

(c) whether the Central Government are preparing to extend its support to the company ; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) In order to improve its all round productivity, TAFCO has taken steps to diversify its product-range by manufacturing Sports shoes, Jungle Boot, P.T. Shoes, Special purpose safety boots for oil and steel sector, work boots for exports to U.S.A. etc.

(b) The production and sales of the Corporation during 1991-92 has registered a marginal increase over that of the previous year.

(c) and (d) Government have already been extending its support by releasing funds to the Corporation. During 1991-92, Non-Plan funds of Rs. 622 lakhs and Plan funds of Rs. 45 lakhs were released.